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PHOTOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE BRIEF

CIA/PIC

INSTALLATION: Docks and Vessels at Aralsk

BRIEF NO.: B-34-58

LOCATION : Aralsk, USSR

DATE : 13 October 1958

B. E. NUMBER: None WAC NUMBER: 246

LAT. : 46°47'N LONG. : 61°39'E

PHOTO DATA:

25X1D

MAP DATA:

USSR. Hydrographic chart of Ostrov Vozrozhdeniya and the Aral Sea, 1:606,564, 1935.

REFERENCE:

AFCIN-1A1. IR 1333-58, 16 Apr 58, (CIA 1173652). (U)

REQUIREMENT HTA/SI/R-32/58: Describe the large dock and associated installation on the peninsula west of the supply base at Aralsk. Also describe the other main dock facilities and provide the number and sizes of vessels observed in the harbor and at Vozrozhdeniya Island.

REMARKS:

A large, "T"-shaped dock with an over-all length of 355 feet is located on the peninsula west of the supply base at Aralsk (see plate 18 in graphic supplement to HTA/JR-3/58). The cross of the "T", which is the dock proper, measures 165 by 35 feet.

Associated with this dock is a fenced installation measuring approximately 900 by 700 feet and consisting of 18 various-sized buildings. The two largest buildings are rail-served warehouses 195 by 50 feet and 100 by 50 feet, with a total floor space of 14,750 square feet. The other 16 buildings, with a total floor space of approximately 25,000 square feet, also appear to serve a storage function. Near the dock there are two rectangular mounds of an unidentified material, each approximately 45 by 30 feet. This installation may serve as a

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transshipment point for Aralsk. There is no photographic evidence that it is a military installation. A road connection is the only photographic evidence of an association between the fenced installation and the supply base.

The entire harbor at Aralsk is served by numerous docks of various shapes and sizes. Many of these docks are large enough to accommodate the largest ships observed in the area. Although it is not possible to identify the types of activity associated with each of these docks, they probably serve the following functions:

- (1) Repair and construction of small cargo vessels, fishing boats, and motor launches.
- (2) Docking facilities for passenger and commercial vessels.
- (3) Transshipment of agricultural products.

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A total of 87 vessels was located on the photography of Vozrozhdeniya Island and the harbor at Aralsk. Though the small scale of the photography precludes the specific identification of each vessel in Aralsk harbor, the boats are mainly fishing boats, motor launches, and barges, while the ships can be generally classified as tugboats, fishing trawlers, and small cargo vessels. The following vessels, with their lengths in feet, were present in Aralsk harbor on photography.

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60 boats	30 to 85	l ship	155
4 ships (1 U/C)	100	2 ships (1 U/C)	160
l ship	110	1 ship	170
1 ship	125	4 ships	175
2 ships U/C	130	1 ship U/C	180
5 ships	145	l ship	195
l ship U/C	150	1 ship U/C	210

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Two vessels were present at Vozrozhdeniya Island on photography -- one boat, 40 feet in length, and one small cargo ship or trawler, 145 feet in length.

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INSTALLATION: Thermal Power Plant

BRIEF NO.: B-35-58

LOCATION : Prokopyevsk, USSR

DATE: 3 October 1958 : 53°52'N LAT.

B. E. NUMBER WAC NUMBER: 161

LONG.

86°45'E

PHOTO DATA:

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MAP DATA:

ATMP

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REQUIREMENT RR/HTA/E/R29/58: Locate and describe the reported thermal power plants in Prokopyevsk, USSR

REMARKS:

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No significant power plant can be identified on the good quality photography which covers the entire Prokopyevsk area. It is possible, however, that small power units are present which are not discernible on the photography.